

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Tuesday, August 23, 2011

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Frank Mecham, Bruce S. Gibson, Paul A. Teixeira, James R. Patterson and Chairperson Adam Hill

**ABSENT:** None

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-277**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A REQUEST BY GRID ALTERNATIVES TO WAIVE UP TO \$100,000 IN PERMIT PROCESSING FEES OVER A FIVE YEAR PERIOD FOR INDIVIDUAL AFFORDABLE RESIDENTIAL PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM INSTALLATIONS COUNTYWIDE**

The following resolution is now offered and read:

WHEREAS, Grid Alternatives is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and licensed solar installer whose mission is to empower communities by installing photovoltaic systems on affordable housing residences and providing photovoltaic training opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the adopted County Fee Schedule allows for fee waivers when one or more of specific criteria are met of which Grid Alternatives meets at least two criteria (see findings below);

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed and conducted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo ("Board of Supervisors") on August 23, 2011, and a determination and decision was made on August 23, 2011; and

WHEREAS, at said hearing, the Board of Supervisors heard and received all oral and written protests, objections, and evidence, which were made, presented, or filed, and all persons present were given the opportunity to hear and be heard in respect to any matter relating to said request; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has duly considered the request and finds that the request should be approved subject to the findings set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, as follows:

1. That the recitals set forth hereinabove are true, correct and valid.
2. The Board of Supervisors finds that Grid Alternatives qualifies for a fee waiver because its projects will be available for use by the public at-large and will benefit more than the residents in the immediate vicinity by reducing air quality impacts, providing training opportunities and jobs, and increasing property value.
3. The Board of Supervisors finds that Grid Alternatives qualifies for a fee waiver because its projects have generated obvious community support.
4. The Board of Supervisors finds that Grid Alternatives qualifies for a fee waiver because the waiver is equitable and in the public interest.
5. The Board of Supervisors, therefore, approves the request of Grid Alternatives for a waiver of up to \$100,000 in permit processing fees for a five year period (August 23, 2011 to

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August 23, 2016) for use on individual affordable residential photovoltaic (PV) system installations countywide. When \$90,000 has been expended in permit processing fees, staff shall return to the Board to report out.

Upon motion of Supervisor Mecham, seconded by Supervisor Patterson, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Mecham, Patterson, Gibson, Teixeira, Chairperson Hill

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINING: None

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted:

Adam Hill  
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JULIE L. RODEWALD  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

BY: Annette Ramirez Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT  
Warren Jensen  
County Counsel

By: /s/ Whitney McDonald  
Deputy County Counsel

Date: August 9, 2011

STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO)

I, **JULIE L. RODEWALD**, County Clerk of the above entitled County, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of an order entered in the minutes of said Board of Supervisors, and now remaining of record in my office.

Witness, my hand and seal of said Board of Supervisors this 6th day of September, 2011.

**JULIE L. RODEWALD**,  
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Annette Ramirez  
Deputy Clerk